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## EXECUTIVE NOTE

President Reagan, already pushing for a looser rein on the intelligence agencies who feed him the real skinny on the world, now has a hot-shot 19-member panel to tell him how good the skinny is.

But six of the 19 already have some idea of how smart the intelligence is, having served on the same board under previous Republican presidents before Jimmy Carter abolished it. One of them, Washington economist **Leo Cherne**, who served on the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board under both Nixon and Ford, will be vice chairman of Reagan's reconstituted panel. He'll serve under chairman **Anne Armstrong**, former Republican National Committee co-chairman.

The other veterans are playwright and former envoy to Italy **Clare Booth Luce**; former Texas governor **John B. Connally**; Washington lawyer **Edward Bennett Williams**; retired Diner's Club executive **William O. Baker**; and **John S. Foster Jr.**, who was once the Pentagon's top scientist and is now vice president of TRW, a major defense contractor.

The new board also features **Alfred S. Bloomingdale**, department store mogul and member of Reagan's California "kitchen cabinet," and electronics executive **H. Ross Perot**, architect of a daring plan to get two of his employees out of the Iranian jail into which they were thrown in 1979 after the intelligence community misread the situation there.

Other notable members: **Seymour Weiss**, once director of the State Department's bureau of politico-military affairs and in 1976 a member of a special panel that challenged intelligence estimates of Soviet strength as seriously understated; and **Peter O'Donnell**, Dallas banker and former Republican state chairman, who knocked a few hats sideways in 1967 by announcing that his family foundation had been used as a conduit for CIA funds.

Some think-tankers and academic types, too: **David Abshire**, chairman of Georgetown University's Center for Strategic and International Studies; **W. Glenn Campbell**, head of Stanford University's conservative Hoover Institute, and **Paul Seabury**, political science professor at UCLA. Both Abshire and Campbell had key roles in the transition.

Adm. **Thomas Moorer**, former chief of naval operations and a member of Reagan's cadre of military advisers, is on the panel, as is **Joe M. Rogers** of JMR Investments and American Constructors Inc.; former astronaut **Frank Borman**, now of Eastern Airlines, and **Robert Six** of Continental Airlines. And last, but assuredly not least, there's former Watergate special prosecutor **Leon Jaworski**.

Reagan also named to his three-member Intelligence Oversight Board: the Hoover Institute's Campbell as chairman; Detroit businessman **Frank D. Stella** and **Charles Tyroler II**, a business consultant and director of the Committee on the Present Danger, the anti-SALT II folks. In the late 1950s, Tyroler was the executive director of the now-defunct Democratic Advisory Council, and a decade later he ran a pro-Vietnam war group called the Citizens Committee for Peace with Freedom in Vietnam.